

**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Nobuhiro HAYASHI

Application No.: Rule 53(b) Continuation of  
Application No. 09/455,449

Filed: March 24, 2004

Docket No.: 032385.02

For: PICTURE IMAGE INPUT METHOD

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Specification; and**

**Remarks.**